Town Meeting Coordinating Committee

Meeting of Thursday, March 25, 2010 Bangs Community Center, room 101

Attendance: Peggy Roberts, Nonny Burack, Rob Crowner, Mary Streeter, Carol Gray (arrived 4:57); absent: Harry Brooks, Dorwenda Bynum-Lewis

- **1. Call to order:** Peggy calls the meeting to order at 4:45pm.
- **2. Minutes of previous meeting:** Tabled due to minutes not having been prepared.
- **3. TMCC webpage:** Peggy requests that information about the TMCC election and a nomination form for the election be posted on the Town Meeting webpage.
- **4. Information forum:** Rob reports that John Musante and Guilford Mooring have confirmed their availability for the April 27 forum date. The Finance Committee is meeting tonight. Harry reports by cellphone that he has reserved the ACTV studio for that night and canceled previous reservations. Rob will make a press release announcing the forum before mid-April so that it can be in the papers in time. Peggy will do a general press release with information on all of the Spring TMCC events. Nonny requests that forum participants observe a "no personal potholes" policy.
- **5. Precinct meetings:** Mary reports that precinct meeting dates and locations have been finalized: Pcts. 1-3 will meet Thursday, April 29 at Mark Meadow School; 4 and 10 on Sunday, April 25 at the Police Station; 5 and 6 on Wednesday, April 28 at Fort River School; 7 and 8 on Thursday, April 29 at Crocker Farm School; and 9 on Monday, April 26 at Wildwood School. Mary will update the flier based on feedback from the committee.
- **6. Warrant review:** Peggy and Nonny will meet soon with representatives from the League of Women Voters to make arrangements for the warrant review, scheduled for Tuesday, April 13. Peggy has already secured the participation of Town Moderator Harrison Gregg. The committee discusses which articles are the most important to cover, who should be invited to present them and a timed agenda. It is agreed that committee chairs will be preferred over town staff. Specific language for the articles is not yet available.
- **7. Bus tour:** Carol states that she has been developing a list of potential sites for the bus tour, scheduled for Sunday, April 18, and promises that it will be fun.
- **8. Materials for packets:** The committee agrees to submit the following materials for Town Meeting packets:
 - 1st packet, due Monday, April 5:
 - Sheet 1: warrant review, "Get on the bus", and "Save the date" (forum); backed by precinct meetings and listserv information.
 - Sheet 2: mentoring information backed by materials available at the Library, dependent care subsidy information, and where to go with questions and suggestions.
 - 2nd packet, due Tuesday, April 20:
 - Sheet 1: budget forum backed by "How to speed up Town Meeting" and precinct meeting reminder.
 - Sheet 2: TMCC election information

Carol will update previous fliers as necessary and email drafts for review before the next meeting. Peggy requests that clip art graphics be switched from time to time so as not to become stale. Mary will bring a revised draft of the sticker for the first packet to the next meeting.

- **9. Scheduling of additional meetings:** The committee will meet Monday, March 29 at noon and then at 4:30pm on Monday, April 5; Monday, April 12; and Monday, April 19. Nonny will reserve a room in the Bangs Center for all meetings except the last, which will be held at the Police Station because the Bangs Center will be closed for Patriots Day.
- **10. Adjournment:** The meeting is adjourned at 6:11pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rob Crowner

Documents distributed at the meeting:

- 1. agenda
- 2. precinct meeting schedule flier